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TO: THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS:

Now comes the Applicant and for his response to the action of the examiner dated July 27, 2004 submits the following response and amendment. An extension for a one month extension is enclosed.

I. AMENDMENTS

A. To the drawings: (No request for changes to drawings)

B. Amendments to the Specification: (None requested.)

C. Amendments to the Claims: None.

II. <u>REMARKS</u>

References in the subject application have been reviewed. It appears that of the references cited, none set forth the sue of an insulated layer on the outside of the ring, ass demonstrated in this application. Moreover, none are used as a supplemental transfer system, which is in addition to a primary heating system. The subject application sets forth (as do the claims) such system. Further, Applicant submits that the application set forth a discussion of the dual insulation system. Applicant maintains his application distinguishes over the prior art. As to the double patenting issue, this patent application is a continuation patent and Applicant will file a terminal disclaimer.

III. STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1, 2, 3, and 4 are rejected at this point.

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